

The Easley Messenger.

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OUR RAILROAD.

We note with interest the result of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Carolina, Cumberland Gap and Chicago Rail Road, which was held at Aiken Court House last week. For some time general interest in this new enterprise had apparently been waning but a brighter day dawned upon it, and Pickens County might well feel grateful to a few of her noble sons, who, by their thrift and energy, have helped to bring about such flattering signs of success. While Greenville so strongly contested for the main line of the road she met her match in the ever-progressive County of Pickens. She was confronted by men, too stalwart-like to be buffed off by every stentorian cry, and was attempting to secure with too vain a hope, a deflection from the altogether natural route. We desire every reader of THE MESSENGER to notice particularly the article on the first page entitled, "More encouraging." The report of the Chairman of the delegation sent by Greenville to Aiken, is in substance, included in it. The hope of securing the main line of the road, by our neighboring city, has become a forlorn hope. We have the road, and may expect to see its completion, at no very distant day in the future. The thriving little town of Easley may yet become the Atlanta of South Carolina. She may be the terminus for the Savannah Valley road, and after all be made the distributing point, which evidently she should be.

Let Easley congratulate herself on the fact, that Col. R. E. Bowen, one of her most worthy men, has been elected Vice-President of the road. In this enterprise he has known no such word as fail. In the darkest moments of despair, hope found its existence in his heart. He was the first to initiate the muscular movement, and will be the last to lend his very potent influence to this grand scheme. He says we have the road now if we do not go to sleep. See to it every body, that his hands are upheld in this matter, and show your appreciation of him, who takes such an interest in you and in your future welfare.

WE notice in the "Greenville News" of the 18th instant, a groundless piece of sarcasm from the would-be trenchant pen of a correspondent from Looper's Postoffice, in this County, who, under the cover of a nom de plume, gives prominence to a trivial error to be found in the back numbers of THE MESSENGER. He cloaks himself in a fictitious name, and with a full knowledge of the fact that the error was an oversight on the part of the editors and printers, he attempts a poor play at sarcasm. But like all men of his type, he must have an outlet, or else the world might conclude that he has been drowned in the pool of insignificance. However, from the pen of "Sigma" there yet may spring a production that shall tell posterity of his fame.

The following is what he had to say

concerning the Church Directory:

I see by the "Church Directory," in the MESSENGER, (Easley, S. C.) that they have Sunday school in the Methodist Church every Sunday at 9.30 p. m. What do you think of that? Where did your neighbors get the idea of holding Sunday school at that time of night? I hope the MESSENGER will tell us how it succeeds. If it does better than the old way (in the morning) others may follow.

General News.

The up-passenger on the C. & G. R. R. ran into the rear car of a freight train at Prosperity last Monday. No one was hurt. The engine of the passenger and the rear car of the freight train were considerably damaged. A petition will be sent to the next General Assembly to set apart a new county from portions of Lexington, Edgefield and Aiken counties, and to be known as Butler County. The United States Circuit Court will meet at Columbia on the 4th Monday. A number of political cases will be tried. Hon. Emory Speer, of Georgia, has been employed by the Government to assist in the prosecution of these cases. Dr. J. Marion Sims, a distinguished physician, and a native of S. C., died in New York on the 13th instant. Spartanburg is to have an election on the 30th instant to see whether the City is to be "wet or dry" next year. The clocks on the Air Line were moved up 38 minutes at 12 M. last Sunday. There was a change in the schedule the same day. The "Laurensville Herald" suggests that some plan be devised that will enable the young men of that town to spend their evenings pleasantly and profitably, and appeals to the business men to help supply them with some mode of whiling away the long winter evenings without any excuse for lounging around billiard rooms and beer saloons. On last Saturday at Fairfax Court House, Va., the boiler of a mill exploded, instantly killing three men and frightfully injured two others. Two trains collided on the Illinois Central road last Saturday. Both of them were wrecked, five cars were burned, one man killed and a number of others injured. The Steamer S. H. Parisott and its cargo, consisting of 3,700 bales of cotton, 1,300 sacks of Oil cake, and 500 barrels of Oil, was burned on the Mississippi river near Natchez, on the 18th instant. Newton Richardson, who lives near Central, was arrested on Saturday, 17th by Deputy Marshal W. Y. Davis on a charge of perjury. Also, Zion Collins, colored, who lives near Pelzer, was arrested on the 19th, on the same charge and committed. A child of Duff Morrow was playing in a field where there was a fire last Saturday. Its clothes took fire and the burning was so severe that it died Sunday. Mr. Morrow lives near Duncan's.

The following is Mr. John Ferguson's report to the City Council of Greenville in regard to the result of the visit of the delegates to Aiken to attend the meeting of the Carolina, Cumberland Gap and Chicago railroad Stockholders. He said that it was soon seen that by the terms of the company's charter Greenville could not expect the main line of the road. It was resolved by the Directors to begin the effort to build the road by subscription to Pickens. In order to do this the charter of the company will have to be amended so as to permit the road to receive subscriptions from counties, townships and towns through which it will run and from adjacent towns which may feel sufficiently interested to build connections or subscribe. Of course the towns, townships and counties will have to vote upon the question of whether they will subscribe or not, and in some instances the legislature will have to amend the charters of the municipal corporations. The only action taken in reference to Greenville was to allow her to subscribe enough

money to build a connection with the main line whenever and wherever she pleases; in other words to build a branch to the main stem when she chooses.

The financial agent of the Company in Europe has finally succeeded in getting European bankers to recommend the enterprise as a desirable investment. This, ordinarily would insure the acquisition of foreign aid. If, at any time, after money is subscribed for the construction of the main line, foreign assistance is secured, the amount of the subscription will be refunded.—Extracts from Greenville News.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—It is said here that there is much feeling in Georgia over the appointment of Mr. Speer, to assist in the South Carolina cases, as it is contended that his duties in his own district are sufficient to occupy his time fully, and it is said that the Georgia representatives will object to any appropriation by congress for compensation to Mr. Speer on this account. One of the matters which will be fully ventilated at the approaching session is the employment of so many special attorneys. It is alleged that more money has been expended on this account by the present head of the department of justice than by all his predecessors together, and with precious little to show for it. Mr. Melton represented to the attorney-general that the prosecution of the election cases will be attended with much trouble and difficulty, and no great probability of convictions. South Carolina members of congress say that many of the cases are founded on trumped-up charges made for malignant and mercenary purposes, and they believe that the motives prompting the extra diligence and interest of the authorities here are more political than of any other character.

A NEW WAY TO RAISE MONEY.—An exchange says that hugging parties for the benefit of churches are a recent importation into the South, but they are becoming very popular in some sections, especially in Virginia. The prices range as follows: Girls under 15, 35 cents for a hug of two minutes; from 15 to 20 years of age, from 35 to 75 cents; another man's wife, \$1; widows, according to looks, from 10 cents to \$1, old maids, 3 cents apiece, or two for a nickel, and no limit as to time.

Our old Bach-lor friend should begin to save his dollars and prepare for organization, while timid young men should begin to save their cents and nerve up against it reaches Easley. So says our "devil."

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